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July 6, 1999

Ms. Diane E. Thompson
Associate Commissioner for Legislative Affairs
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Food and Drug Administration
Parklawn Building
5600 Fishers Lane, Room 15-55
Rockville, Maryland 20857

Dear Ms. Thompson:

Enclosed is a correspondence from one of my constituents, Nancy Curran, expressing concern regarding the labeling of irradiated foods. I would appreciate your assistance in responding to this letter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mac Collins

Member of Congress

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From: "Nancy E. Curran" <necurran@mindspring.com>

Date: Wed, 02 Jun 1999 07:32:42 -0400

Subject: 1206 Ogilvie Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30324

I have sent the following message to the FDA. Please do everything you can to insist that irradiated food be easily identified by the average consumer so that the consumer can make informed decisions about what food products s/he wants to ingest.

I would appreciate hearing your position on this issue.

Thank you for your time.

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>Date: Wed, 02 Jun 1999 07:26:47 -0400

>To: FDADockets@oc.fda.gov

>From: "Nancy E. Curran" <necurran@mindspring.com>

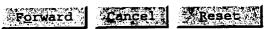
>Subject: Docket# 98N-1038-Irradiation in the Production, processing and handling of food.

>In reference to Docket# 98N-1038: I want the labeling of irradiated foods to be PROMINENTLY displayed. Irradiation can change the texture, taste, storage characteristics and nutrients of a food and therefore should be fully disclosed to the consumer so that s/he may make his/her own choice.

>The actual word IRRADIATED should be used, not some other euphemism so that consumers will be able to recognize foods that have undergone irradiation easily.

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